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Campus recycling, clean-up wins Good Neighbor award

By JEFF LEA
Special to the Skiff

For the second year in a row, TCU received the Good Neighbor award Wednesday for its outstanding achievement in recycling and beautification in the community.

The award was one of six presented by Fort Worth Clean City Inc., a non-profit organization dedicated to improving conservation awareness and volunteerism in the community. Clean City, a local affiliate of Keep America Beautiful, held its annual

awards luncheon Wednesday at the Ridgley Country Club.

TCU is the first institution to receive this award, which is usually given to neighborhood associations, said Carolyn Bellah, executive director of Clean City.

"It's so appropriate that TCU receive a Good Neighbor award," she said. "We could not be so delighted, or more proud."

TCU was the obvious choice for an award because of its recycling programs and its numerous volunteer efforts in the community, Bellah

said. TCU will receive a plaque and the neighborhood associations will receive cash prizes.

"TCU has had the longest on-going recycling program in Fort Worth," Bellah said. "TCU is setting a wonderful example for other institutions."

Winners were chosen on the basis of their recycling and clean-up activities, the number of people involved in these activities and whether their programs were on-going efforts, Bellah said.

Applicants had to submit an appli-

cation and document their conservation related activities.

Dean of Students Elizabeth Proffer, who submitted the application on behalf of TCU, said the award is significant because the university is setting a precedent for all institutions in the community.

"Not all institutions are good neighbors," she said, "but what we've tried to do is to be a responsible institution citizen."

TCU has recycled more than 380 tons of newsprint and 1,200 pounds of aluminum this year, according to

the award application. Also cited in the application was TCU's effort in Project ReDirectory, the first Texas program to recycle used telephone books. TCU collected over 4,600 pounds of paper from campus phone books.

TCU's volunteer efforts by student groups also played a significant part in winning the award, Bellah said.

The award cited efforts by TERRA, a conservation group on campus; Alpha Phi Omega, a service fraternity, and Habitat for Humanity,

another service organization. Bellah said these groups volunteered in city-wide clean-ups this past spring.

"TCU deserves some recognition for its efforts in environmentalism and recycling," said Leo Newland, TCU environmental science program director and TERRA sponsor.

Newland said Proffer and emeritus professor of economics John Wortham, are the two driving forces behind TCU's conservation effort.

Wortham and students from a

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Look out Doobie Brothers, these guys are on their way up. Left to right, Casey McDonald, Todd Coleman, Jeff Weed and Den-

nis Spivey audition Tuesday in Ed Landreth Hall Auditorium for the Parent's Weekend Talent Show.

Nude man seen in Reed again

Suspect may be sexual addict

By ROBYN E. ADAMS
and JACQUIE MAUPIN
TCU Daily Skiff

A nude man was seen masturbating in a Reed Hall window Monday morning, Campus Police said.

Three female students were walking in front of Reed Hall about 9:40 a.m. when one of them noticed a man standing in the window with the blinds pulled down to his navel.

"We were so repulsed," said one of the students, who wished to remain anonymous. "I guess I was more shocked than anything. I didn't really know how to react."

Two male students walked up to the women a few minutes later and also saw the man, one of the female witnesses said.

"It was the most God-awful thing I've seen in my life," said Todd Stephens, a senior. "We said, 'There's no way there's a naked man there doing that.'"

The man continued to stand in the window even though the students had seen him, Stephens and one of the female witnesses said.

"He (the man) saw us totally reacting," one of the female witnesses said. "I think that's what his intentions were — to get someone to react."

The students continued walking, they said. Stephens went inside Reed and told a secretary, who called Campus Police, he said. Stephens then went to search the room but the man was gone, he said.

The police, who arrived about eight minutes later, looked in the room and questioned the witnesses, Stephens said.

The police found that the suspect had bent the blinds in the window, perhaps so that he could look out while he stood there, police said.

The incident is the fifth of its kind

in the past two years, police said. Other incidents occurred in April 1989, twice in April 1990 and once in August 1990.

All five incidents have taken place in Reed Hall, with four of the incidents occurring in the same room, said Campus Police chief Oscar Stewart.

Three of the past four incidents have involved a suspect with a physical appearance similar to that of the man seen Monday, Stewart said.

The suspect is a white male about 5 feet 11 inches tall and weighing about 200 pounds, police said. The man has a large stomach, the female witness said.

Stewart said Campus Police has no specific suspect that he could divulge at this time.

"We're working with Dean McCracken and other school officials on a solution that we feel will alleviate the problem," Stewart said.

Lou Young, an adjunct nursing professor at TCU and social worker at Care Unit Hospital, said the suspect's actions were probably due to one of two reasons. Either the man has a sexual addiction disorder, or he abuses alcohol or drugs to the point that he is not in control of his actions, Young said.

Young said sexual addiction is a disease in which addicts use sexual activity to cope with feelings of inadequacy about themselves.

Young said sexual addicts who act alone use many forms of sexual activity such as masturbation, exhibitionism, pornography and sexual fantasies.

Such behavior may be practiced by people who are not sexual addicts, Young said. A problem develops when people engage in these activities to excess, he said.

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Alpha Chi Omega establishing traditions

By LORI MCCORQUEDALE
Special to the Skiff

Alpha Chi Omega, the newest sorority on campus, has 83 new pledges, all of whom have a busy yet rewarding semester ahead of them, said Tanya Bumstead, Alpha Chi's resident consultant.

"Rush went really great," Bumstead, a Baylor alumna said. "I'm

very excited about the girls. Their energy level is incredible."

Kelly Rose, a sophomore pre-major, said she pledged Alpha Chi because she thought it would be a neat experience founding a colony.

"We have a lot of say-so as to how it (the chapter) will turn out," Rose said.

Freshman pre-major Holly Nitz said it's not very often that a chance

comes along to be a charter member of a sorority.

"The girls are involved in setting traditions and making by-laws for this chapter," Bumstead said. "They also have so much opportunity to become officers."

The sorority is completing the requirements to get its charter, she said. This involves tasks such as completing fraternity education segments,

finishing study hall hours and completing a national petition book.

The colony pledges will be initiated when Alpha Chi becomes installed as a chapter. Bumstead said they hope it will be in February or March, she said.

The pledges consist of 12 seniors, eight juniors, 37 sophomores and 26

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Geology trip offers practical experience

By LORI MCCORQUEDALE
Special to the Skiff

TCU geology students and faculty spent Saturday collecting and examining rocks in Palo Pinto County.

About 20 students, both undergraduate and graduate, and six faculty members went on the department's fall field trip Saturday from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., said John Breyer, TCU geology department chairman.

"The field trip was a combined educational and social experience," he said.

Students wrote descriptions and drew sketches of the rocks in Palo Pinto County, which is west of Mineral Wells, he said.

Some of the rocks date back 300 millions years to when a mountain range covered the Fort Worth area and an ocean existed in the area where Mineral Wells is today. The erosion of those mountains and the movement of the shoreline, left the deposits that the students studied in the Palo Pinto area, he said.

Mapping out the cross-sections of the rocks was hard work, but a lot of fun, said Ed Roy, a junior geology major.

The field trip teaches students how

to do things they're going to do when they become active researchers, Breyer said.

"Going out in the field helps you to be able to discern the difference between the actual structures you see and the ideal structures that are discussed in class," said Pam DeGroat, sophomore.

The practice students got is beneficial because it is better to actually see something than to look at a diagram in a textbook, Breyer said.

Rene Elmquist, a geology major, said drawing the sketches was tough because much of the information was unfamiliar to her. However, she said that information would be useful to her in the future.

Many of the professors and graduate students also learned more on the field trip, Breyer said. Even those who had been to the same place before, saw things they may not have seen the last time they were there.

The professors also gained encouragement from their students, said R. Nowell Donovan, geology professor.

"From a teaching point of view, the field trips are an opportunity to

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Today's weather will be increasingly cloudy with a chance for thunderstorms. The high temperature will be 88 degrees. The low temperature will be 72 degrees.

Friday's weather will be cloudy with a chance for thunderstorms. The high temperature will be 88 degrees. Temperatures will cool off towards the evening.

Art to attack in the Pit

Artist combines music and paint

By KATHERINE THOMPSON
TCU Daily Skiff

Music will mix with paint to create a different form of art at noon today in the Pit.

"Denny Dent and His Two-Fisted Art Attack," an act combining art and music, will bring portraits of musicians alive. Dent's performance at TCU is sponsored by the visual arts, performing arts and concerts committees of the Programming Council.

Dent, a native of California, has performed the act at colleges across the nation and has appeared at the 1983 U.S. Festival and the 1984 Olympics. Dent also was featured on the television show "That's Incredible!"

With the music of a famous artist playing in the background, Dent attacks a large canvas with as many as three paint brushes in each hand.

In less than ten minutes, Dent transforms flying paint into a portrait of the musician the audience has just heard.

Dent's performances are primarily a form of entertainment, but he tries to add a message to the fun, he said. "It's not what you do, it's the way



Denny Dent demonstrates his talent of combining music with painting. He will perform at noon today in the Pit.

you do it," Dent said.

Dent began his "art attack" career after the 1980 death of his idol, John Lennon.

At a vigil in Las Vegas on the first anniversary of Lennon's death, Dent decided to paint his idol to the music of the ex-Beatle, he said.

Since his first performance, Dent has developed a repertoire of 71 faces and has opened for over 200 major performers.

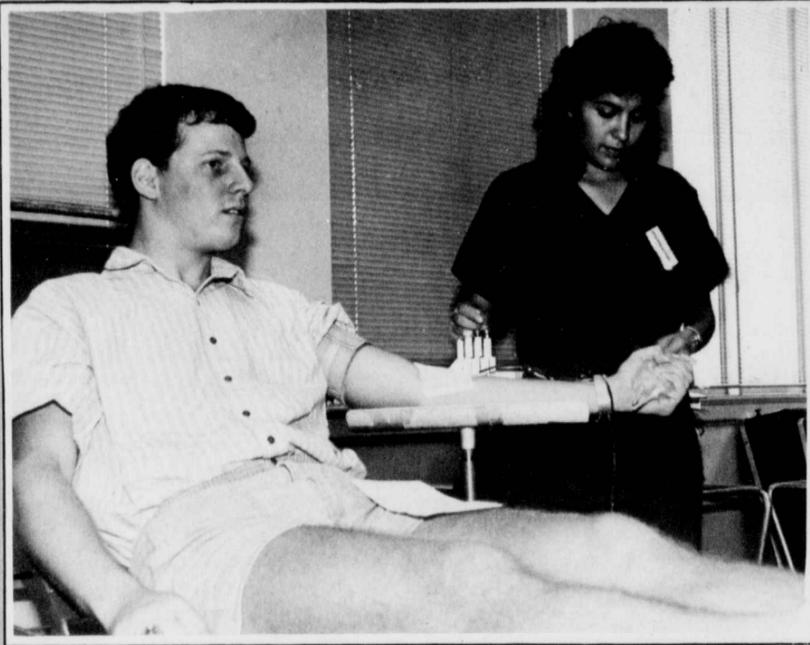
Dent performed at TCU in 1987 and was very popular, said Rick Barnhart, chairman of PC's visual arts committee.

Dent will paint three portraits today, one of which will be placed on permanent display in the Pit, Barnhart said.

In preparation for the show, the walls and the ceiling of Dent's performance area have been covered in plastic to protect them from flying paint, Barnhart said.

Dent will use a canvas measuring 10 feet by 10 feet for each painting, Barnhart said.

Dent has painted such diverse musicians as Bruce Springsteen, Jimi Hendrix, Stevie Wonder and Ludwig van Beethoven. His paintings have sold for as much as \$10,000.



Peter Scholle, senior, gives blood Monday at the RHA Fall Blood Drive. About 270

TCU Daily Skiff/ Trip Meads pints had been collected by Wednesday evening. The goal is 500 pints.

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freshmen. "It helps that we have upperclassmen because they've seen what TCU is like," she said. "They have a background of what goes on here." The pledges feel more like a group because everybody is getting to know each other at once, Nitz said. Even the seniors and juniors don't really know each other yet, she said. The pledges have broken into sub-committees, such as scholastic, leadership, social, philanthropy, intellectual development committees and others, to plan the activities of the

group, Bumstead said. Nitz, a member of the leadership committee, said the group is working on a scrapbook to send to nationals. "You have a lot more responsibility when you're just starting out," said Kim Daws, a junior advertising and public relations major. It's a lot of work, but it will be worth it, she said. The Alpha Chi pledges are currently working on their homecoming activities with Alpha Delta Pi, Bumstead said. "It's great to work with someone

whose already done it," she said. The sorority's first victory party will be Sept. 29 at Juanita's, Bumstead said. It will have its first mixer with Sigma Alpha Epsilon tonight after open house for alumnae, she said. The group is also planning its pledge retreat in mid-October on the weekend of the Baylor game, Bumstead said. She said she hoped to get the Baylor chapter to visit the girls the day after the retreat. Some pledges will move into the house this week, but most are waiting until next semester, Bumstead said.

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group called the Environmental Conservation Organization began recycling newspapers 12 years ago. They built a permanent depository for paper and aluminum which has remained a focal point of TCU's recycling effort. The original ECO hut burned down several years ago, but a new hut was quickly built and is located in the football stadium parking lot near the radio tower, Worham said. Proffer said Worham has helped or supervised the loading of the hut

ever since the recycling program was started in 1978. "Dr. Worham is the godfather of this project," she said. He said he used to empty the hut once a month, but now the hut has to be emptied once a week. "I'm amazed at the amount of paper that has been recycled in the last year," Worham said. Any money that is received from recycling efforts on campus is donated to charity. Proffer said the ECO hut has probably raised \$4,000 for

world hunger this year. Proffer and Worham said TCU must continue to recycle and keep the community clean. "I think there's a lot more awareness than there ever was five years ago," Proffer said. But recycling is useless to the environment if no one buys recycled products, she said. Proffer said the university is in the preliminary stages of creating an environmental practices policy for the TCU campus.

ECHO ECHO

by Stev KlineToBe



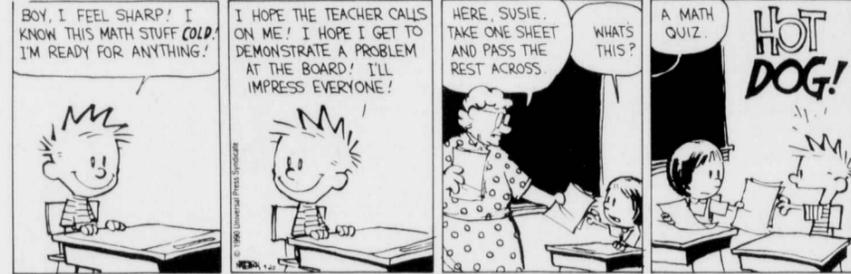
MISTER BOFFO

by Joe Martin



Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



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If a person should witness similar behavior, Young recommended that he or she contact the Campus Police and not attempt to apprehend the suspect. Young cited three reasons why it would not be a good idea to surprise the suspect alone.

If the suspect is using drugs, he might be dangerous to himself or others, Young said. Being confronted by someone other than a police officer might also cause legal problems in prosecuting the individual and psychological problems in rehabilitating the person, he said. A student might be shocked by finding someone he or she knows personally, or by finding more than

one person in the room, Young said. If this suspect is a sexual addict, he was seeking an audience, Young said. A witness might be able to stall the suspect in the future by continuing to watch the man while someone else went to notify the police, he said. Young said he can be reached at Care Unit at 336-2828 by anyone seeking more information or help.

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react with our students," Donovan said. "It's a thrill when you see the light dawning in their eyes." The trip also helped students to get to know their professors and classmates, Breyer said. Because a wide range of students participated, Roy said, younger students who were having problems on the drawings could ask a professor or an older student for help. Individual classes will go on field trips throughout the semester, Breyer said. The whole department will travel again in the spring of 1991, he said. They may go to the Big Bend area for several days.

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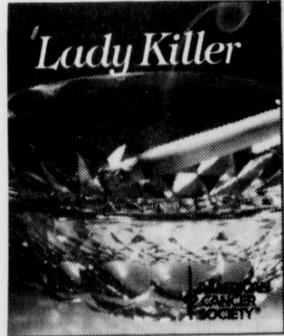
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Patrick H., Blond with Blue Eyes. One thing's missing— ME!!!

Heather, I've got the butter knife ready. Do you have the spoon?

Congrats to the new Little Sigmas...Heather, All, Krissy, Dee, Sharon, Rachel, Erin, Jennifer, Catherine, Lisa, Nancy, Julia, Missy, Caroline. You're awesome.

Sigma Chi Little Sigmas All Barron and Heather Borja—your Kappa big sisters love you! Heather and Tricia.

K.W.L.T.—No, not lately but I think there's more where they came from. Do you like plain or with almonds? I'll see what I can do. R.T.F.& F

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW INITIATES: DEANA, PAIGE, KIM, PAIGE, KRISTEN, ALPHA DELTA PI.

Lookout for Shirley's Fantastic, Enthusiastic, Spastic, Frog-tastic, Flabergastic, Spirit this Saturday at the game. We'll all be there! OSU.

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Looking back at old Popo

By ELIZABETH LUNDAY
 Columnist

My grandfather is lost and I don't know where to find him.

He is lost somewhere in the tangled paths of neurons in his brain, wandering through the maze of his own mind. He is not here and he is not now and he is not anywhere or anytime that anyone else can find. He is alone.

My Popo is 90 years old, the victim — not of Parkinson's or Alzheimer's disease — of old age, of poor circulation and an erratic, weak heart that can't get blood to his brain. Cells die without blood. His brain is a mixture of working cells and dead ones, all tangled up with paths of memory leading into unexpected places and sometimes to dead ends, nowhere at all.

He is coherent, sometimes. Other times, he sleeps for hours and doesn't speak at all. When he does try to speak, he forgets what words to use and only sounds come out.

His days are spent eating and sleeping. He doesn't eat much, but he craves sweets. Sometimes he sits with the sugar bowl in front of him and eats the sugar with a spoon.

Once, at a family dinner, he turned to me and said, "I don't know where Grandfather is." He sounded very sad and concerned. "I

haven't heard in a long time. He might be dead. It would be good to know if he were still alive."

My grandfather's grandfather must have died 75 years ago.

I remember a little about Popo before he grew old. He always snuck me chocolate chip cookies, even when my grandmother said, "Don't let that child have any more cookies!" He made me dolls in his workshop and built me a tree house in the backyard. Once or twice he got out his hand-made telescope and we looked at the stars, at the moon and Jupiter and Venus and Mars. We made popcorn in the old metal popper and divided the popcorn in two bowls, one Popo-size bowl for him and one Elizabeth-size for me.

He read to me all about Trix and her horse and the Bobbsey twins and the Grimm brother's fairy tales. Our favorite story was the one about the poor farmer and the rich brother.

The poor farmer grew radishes, and one day he grew a radish that was 10 feet long and 4 feet around. He didn't know what to do with it, so he loaded it up on his wagon and took it to the king. The king was pleased with the man's gift, so he gave the poor man as much gold as he could carry away in his wagon.

When the rich brother heard about the poor brother's good fortune, he was incredibly jealous. He owned the most beautiful horses in the entire kingdom. So, he thought, "If I give my horses to the king, I will get a much better gift than my brother got for just an old, dirty radish."

When the rich man brought the horses to the king, the king was very, very pleased. "I would like to honor you for this most wonderful gift," the king said. "I think I have just the gift for you. This is the most remarkable radish ever grown. It is 10 feet tall and 4 feet around. Enjoy."

The rich man could not refuse a gift from the king, so the rich man loaded up the radish and drove away. "Ach," he said to himself. "Ach, I could kick myself."

In fourth grade, I sat in my Popo's living room and cried as I tried to explain how I was a big girl and I didn't need my grandfather to walk me to school.

"It's not you," I said over and over. "It's not that I don't love you. I just don't need you to walk me to the door anymore. The other kids think I'm a baby. I just don't need you."

Popo said, "I don't know where Grandfather is. It would be good to know if he were alive."

Ach, I could kick myself.

Send mail

American soldiers need contact from home

Thousands of Americans are at this moment living in sand and incredible heat. These men and women are serving their country by playing a waiting game — waiting for world leaders such as Saddam Hussein and President George Bush to determine whether they will go home or stay and fight.

These Americans, living in an environment foreign to any they have ever before experienced, are no doubt suffering from an incredible sense of isolation and loneliness. These people need to hear from home.

If you know any soldier currently stationed in the Middle East, write to him or her. No matter what your political views about the situation in the Persian Gulf, the people caught up in the crisis cannot be ignored. Whether or not President Bush did the right thing by sending troops to Saudi Arabia, the act is done and Americans must work from there.

And whether or not you know a soldier personally, you still can help everyone involved in the crisis by staying informed of events in the Middle East.

Letter to the Editor

Trash can

No one ever thinks about the trash can. It is considered a dirty and unhealthy object.

No one ever wants to clean it or take it out.

Trash cans and their contents have been a menial part of people's lives since the beginning.

In the American family no one ever thinks of the trash can until it causes a problem.

Then it is too late.

If you ever wonder how a black male feels in American society, just think of your trash can.

Black American males are becoming an endangered species in American society. People do not realize how serious the problem is getting. When the number of black males in prison is greater than the number of black males in college four to one, it is time for somebody to wake up. Stereotypes and people's perceptions are slowly killing the black male. We, as black males, must stop blaming society for our problems and start doing something to change the negative stereotypes and the negative perceptions. I hope at least one black male will read this poem and make the right decision to take a step out of that trash can.

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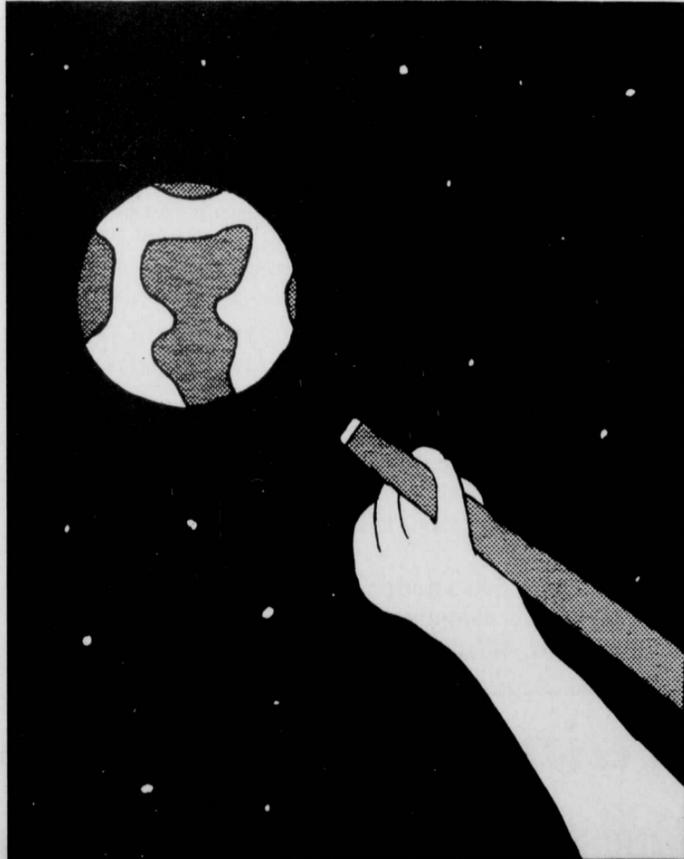
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The 8th Dimension

by Edward Patton



Being single a perilous voyage

By SCOTT WALLACE
 Columnist

This week, in case you've forgotten, is National Singles Week.

In previous years, this would not even so much as register in my brain, much less wind up on paper. However, now that I am 21 — the year one supposedly reaches full maturity with all the rights and responsibilities that accompany such an age — I find myself more and more fascinated, perhaps dumbfounded, by this idea of being a single although I only feel 18.

It hits me all the time, like when Mom calls and wants to know if I've "found some nice girl yet." Sorry, Mom, I can't say that I have. I can't even say that it's at the top of my priority list right now. And what's more, I certainly can't even say that even if I did find that special someone, that I'd be able to afford her. Give me about 15 more years, Mom.

It hits me when I'm in the grocery store, like the frequently increasing addresses I get of "Sir" from the girl at the checkout counter. Not that being called "Sir" has much to do with being single, but it does have a great deal to do with being viewed as getting older. I want to beg her, "Please don't call me that, okay? I mean, I'm only a few years older than you."

It certainly hits me in places like a church. Inevitably, I fill out a card at a service that gives one only three options to fill out: youth, married, and — wouldn't you just guess? — single. Let's see. I don't qualify as youth, but I'm definitely not married. So what do I do? Do I really want to get a call from the singles' minister on Wednesday asking me to attend some retreat with a bunch of 30-year-olds next weekend?

It also slaps me in the face when I go to weddings. I really feel uncomfortable at those things. Not just weddings in general, mind you, but weddings of people I went to school with all my life. Like people in my own grade, my own homeroom, or as was the case last December, the girl I went steady with for a week back in fifth grade.

As a senior, I get a sense of the forthcoming entry into the Real World somewhat like riding a raft down one of those Amazon

waterfalls or someone putting a block of cement in your backpack and then chunking you out into the Pacific Ocean. It's sink or swim, baby; have fun. You gotta get a job, a place of your own and try to keep your head about you often in a city somewhere where you don't know a soul.

Not the least of that involves the idea somewhere in the back of one's mind that, yes, it would be nice to settle down and marry someday. It's the getting from point A of graduating to point B of marriage with the potential for point C — having kids — that often is unmistakably hell at its very worst.

Dating and the single life can be baffling. I have 20-year-old friends who are married. I also have single, successful buddies in their mid 30s with women killing and dying to go out with them, but there's that combination of boyishness and shyness that leaves them inexplicably oblivious to the immense opportunities surrounding them.

I think of two good friends of mine who are single. Bill is a highly successful Dallas businessman who does business with billionaires and kings of countries. He has taught Sunday School to high school kids (I was one of them) and dated celebrities. He's Corbin Bernsen without "L.A. Law."

If there was ever the epitome of the sensitive nice guy, Lee would have to be it. There is probably no more sincerely encouraging, selfless heart on the face of this earth with the outside exception of perhaps Mother Teresa. He works out regularly and keeps his life simple in order to get more out of it. He's a big guy with a huge, soft heart, a decent job and all the warmth of everybody's favorite camp counselor.

Yet, talking to these two, they each point to the other guy in disbelief.

Bill: "I can't believe Lee's not married, yet. The guy's got women all over him, and he doesn't even know it."

Lee: "Man, look at Bill. The guy's got half the women in Dallas chasing him, and he's too blind to even see it."

I look at both of them, shake my head, and ask myself why.

There are those statistics that show people are going to get married later on in their life. I look around at a lot of the people I know, and it seems they fall in one of two categories.

Either they get married while in school or within a year or so after, or they take their time — sometimes an awfully long one at that — in taking the plunge.

There is also the competition. It may not be absolutely necessary to be rich, handsome or beautiful, ridiculously well-travelled and educated, successful, self-assured and determined yet sensitive, and of course, funny. It may not matter that one owns his or her own company — even a slew of them — and be in top athletic shape or fitness. It may not hurt when one is naturally perfect, but then again, it doesn't exactly hurt, either. There are times when I think it might be easier just to pack my bags for Australia or the Scottish highlands, kick my heels up, drink a beer or two and just chill out the next couple of years. It might be a much more romantic alternative than trying to get hitched up, know what I mean?

I wonder what's the immense security of being, say, 30 and married? It would be nice to not be the absolute last person of all the people I know who aren't married, but it isn't that giant of a deal. It'd also be wonderful to stop having mothers or friends set you up with people who they think would be so perfect for you — perfectly wrong. It would be nice to come home every night to an adoring wife, a sheltie, a cooked meal and, most of all, a house that is halfway clean and decorated. But a guy doesn't need it. It would be nice to know that you can have your kids and not be mistakenly called their granddad. But, of course, a guy can learn to live without all these things.

It's just that I remember a classic "Cheers" where Ted Danson was closing the bar up alone, his butt planted firmly in a chair, and he was giving himself a pep talk on the many "advantages" of his being single. The ability to come and go, do what one wants, no ties, no problems, and thank God, no commitments.

In walks Kirstie Alley, also single, also alone. She asks ol' Ted if he'd rather get a cup of coffee!

"You betcha!!!" Ted said as he rocketed up out of his chair. Ah, the life of a single. Enjoy while you can! I'll think about you while I'm off in Australia.



Sports

Fore!

Magee wins Friendship title as Frogs open fall in Japan

By TY BENZ
TCU Daily Skiff

The TCU men's golf team opened the 1990 season with a fourth-place finish at the International Friendship Tournament in Japan. The Horned Frogs shot a three-round total of 880 to finish behind two Japanese teams and Nevada-Las Vegas.

TCU's Chad Magee finished with a 210 and won the tournament by two strokes.

"Finishing fourth disappointed everyone because the guys can play better than that," Magee said.

The Frogs shot a disappointing final-round score of 299, after posting 292 and 289 in the first two rounds. The Frogs were in third place, 3 strokes behind second-place UNLV, going into the final round.

"I don't think the team played as well as we can because we are a better team than that," said junior Robert

Boisvert, who finished the tournament tied for 37th place after shooting a 225.

"In order to win tournaments like this one, we have to have better scores from our number four and five players," said men's golf coach Bill Montigel.

"I didn't think the competition was too tough," Montigel said. "But that Nihon team impressed me, and so did UNLV, which has an excellent team this year."

"But in golf you don't compete against other teams, you play the golf course and hopefully play it better than anyone else."

"I don't think the course we played on was very tough," said junior Charlie Stevens, who placed 23rd with a three-day total of 222. "It did have a couple of hard par fours."

"The course was a position course," Montigel said. "If you kept it in the fairway, you could hit good

shots and be successful."

The biggest problem the Frogs had was not the fairways or the bunkers but was the difficulty in communicating with the Japanese golfers who did not speak English.

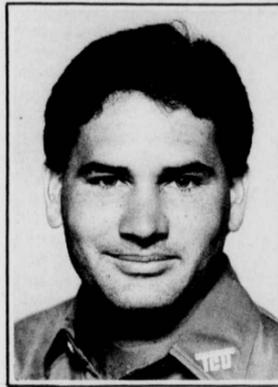
"Communication was a problem, but we got along with the Japanese players real well," Stevens said. "They were very polite, and they complimented our good shots."

"I think this was a real good experience for the team and myself. We had a lot of fun," said Boisvert.

The Frogs were not in Japan simply to compete. They were also ambassadors of American golf.

"In Japan, they look up to American golfers because they think we have the best golf programs in the world," said Montigel.

Some of these programs will be on the fairways with the Frogs in their next tournament, the Preview. Nine of the top 10 teams in the country, in-



Chad Magee

cluding top-ranked Oklahoma State and defending champion Arizona State, will tee off against the Frogs Oct. 1 in Monterey, Calif.

TCU SportsDay

Women's Soccer. The Lady Frogs battle the nationally-ranked SMU Mustangs at the TCU soccer field. Kickoff: 4 p.m. today.

TCU women begin with 1st-place finish

By TY BENZ
TCU Daily Skiff

The TCU women's golf team opened the 1990 season with a first-place tie in the Oklahoma/Oklahoma State Invitational held in Edmond, Okla., last week.

The Lady Frogs started the tournament slowly, shooting an opening-round 320, but still led the field by a single stroke.

"It was the first tournament of the year, and I think everyone was a little nervous at the start," said junior Tricia Allen.

"I don't know why we got off to a bad start, I guess that we tried so hard that it hurt our scores," said junior Annette Kealoha.

The Lady Frogs scored a little better in the second round with a total of 318, but fell seven strokes behind Oklahoma for the lead going into the final round.

The Lady Frogs were the first team to play in the final round, and using this advantage, put the pressure on the other teams with a tournament low round of 298.

"I guess the only thing that disappointed me was our slow start," said women's golf coach Kristi Arney. "I was really proud of the way the team bounced back and finished so strong on the final day."

"Heading into the final round, we all knew that every shot counted, and that we had to shave off a couple of strokes if we were going to have a chance to win," sophomore Jane Kragh said.

"I think it really helped us being able to go out and put a number on the board that all the other teams had to match," Arney said.

Individually, Allen placed fourth with a 231. Kragh placed fifth with a 232 and Kealoha finished tied for eighth with a 235.



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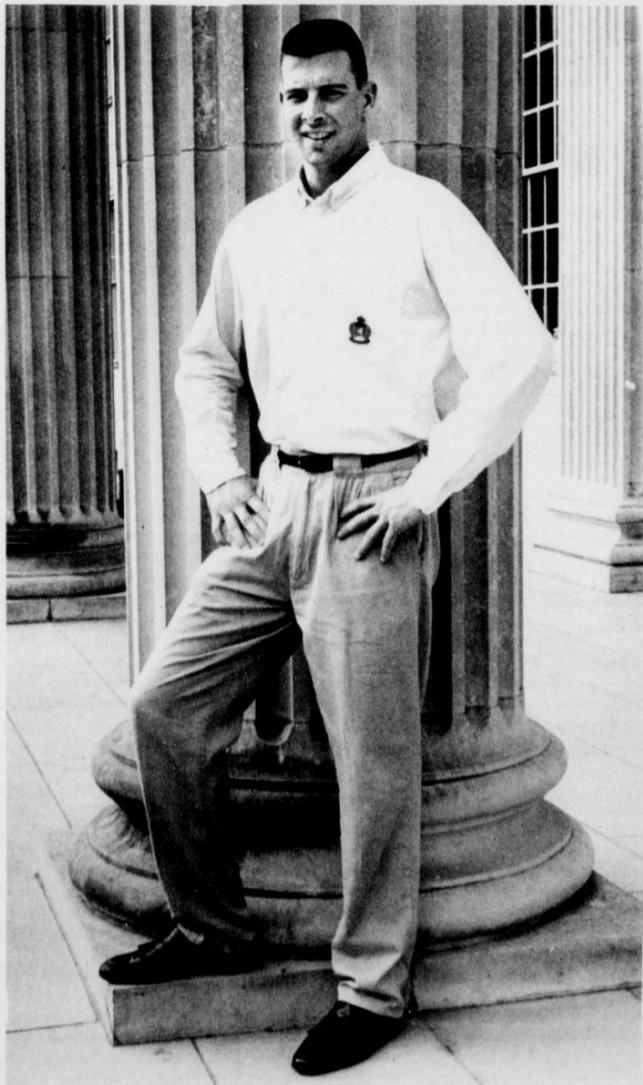
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TCU Cadet Profile



Jay Grubbs

AGE: 20

HOME: Mansfield, Texas

CLASSIFICATION: senior, majoring in management

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Graduate of U.S. Army paratrooper school, graduate of U.S. Army air assault school, recipient of Army ROTC 2-year scholarship, captain and 3-year member of regional champion ranger challenge team, Dean's List fall 1989, served as platoon leader in an active duty infantry unit in Germany over the summer, 1990, cumulative G.P.A. of 3.31, currently commander of the 39th Horned Frog Regiment.

QUOTE:

"Through Army ROTC, I have made life-long friends with quality people from various backgrounds and interests around campus. I have learned the leadership skills and gained the confidence necessary to succeed in any area of life. In the changing face of today's world, ROTC has taught me to welcome challenges with a 'can-do' attitude and to strive to accomplish every goal I have set."

CAREER OBJECTIVES:

I intend to serve proudly as a regular Army officer in the United States Army. In the future, I do intend to continue my education by obtaining an MBA and attending the many schools the Army has to offer.

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